REGIONAL FUGITIVE TASK FORCES

CATCH OF THE WEEK

Week of September 18, 2006

Taking the Worst of the Worst Off the Streets

Great Lakes Regional Fugitive Task Force (GLRFTF)

On September 15, 2006 Kevin Thomas was arrested in Joliet, IL by members of GLRFTF. Thomas fled during his October 2003 trial for charges of Predatory Criminal Sexual Assault. These charges related to Thomas' alleged repeated assault of a seven year old girl, attacks which took place over more than five years. In January 2004 the empanelled jury convicted Thomas in absentia, and he received a sixty year prison sentence. GLRFTF investigators pursued Thomas, and with assistance from viewers of a local television broadcast concerning his case, developed information on his proximate location. Investigators, with critical assistance from the Technical Operations Group (TOG), narrowed Thomas' exact location to Joliet. Investigators acted on this information, observed Thomas exit a shopping mall in that city, and safely took him into custody.



Kevin Thomas Wanted for: Criminal Sex Assault

Gulf Coast Regional Fugitive Task Force (GCRFTF)

On September 24, 2006 David Scaggs, a documented member of the *Chicago Vice Lords* gang, was arrested in Louisville, MS by members of GCRFTF. Authorities in Mississippi originally arrested Scaggs in August 2006 on Murder charges originating from San Diego, CA. After taking Scaggs into custody, authorities placed him into a local detention facility in Louisville. On September 10, 2006 Scaggs escaped. GCRFTF investigators immediately initiated a search for Scaggs, and with assistance from deputy US marshals (DUSMs) from the Southern District of California, investigators from the Mississippi Bureau of Investigation, the Mississippi Bureau of Narcotics, and the San Diego County (CA) District Attorney's Office, developed information on his location at a Louisville motel. GCRFTF immediately responded to that site, and following a brief standoff with Scaggs, safely took him into custody. Incident to arrest, investigators seized various forms of falsified identification and a wig.

Chicago Vice Lords Gang Member



David Scaggs Wanted for: Escape

Pacific Southwest Regional Fugitive Task Force (PSWRFTF)

On September 20, 2006 Harold White was arrested in Los Angeles, CA by members of PSWRFTF and officers from the Los Angeles PD (LAPD). LAPD wanted White for Murder and Attempted Murder after he allegedly fired into a vehicle, killing one of its occupants and wounding another. White drove up to the victims' vehicle and allegedly engaged it after recognizing one of its occupants as a man he fought with several weeks earlier. LAPD contacted PSWRFTF for assistance in locating and apprehending White. PSWRFTF, with critical assistance from the Technical Operations Group (TOG), developed information on White's location in Los Angeles. Investigators immediately responded to that location, established surveillance, and later observed White inside the target residence. As PSWRFTF and LAPD units approached the home White attempted to flee from the rear, but investigators quickly took him into custody. Following White's arrest, investigators executed a search warrant on the target residence and seized two handguns.



Harold White Wanted for: Murder & Attempted Murder

New York/New Jersey Regional Fugitive Task Force (NY/NJ RFTF)

On September 19, 2006 Carlin Porter was arrested in Jamaica, NY by members of NY/NJ RFTF, inspectors from the Technical Operations Group (TOG), and officers from the Nassau County (NY) PD (NCPD). Authorities in Hempstead, NY wanted Porter for Homicide after he allegedly shot and killed a male victim on February 04, 2006. During this incident, Porter allegedly shot the victim three times in retaliation for a physical altercation occurring earlier that day. The New York State Division of Parole also wanted Porter for Parole Violation on an underlying charge of Robbery. NCPD requested assistance from NY/NJ RFTF investigators in locating and apprehending Porter. NY/NJ RFTF personnel developed information regarding Porter's location at the home of a relative in Jamaica, established surveillance there, and later observed Porter exit the target residence. As investigators began to move in on Porter, he attempted to flee on foot, but law enforcement successfully took him into custody after a brief pursuit. Incident to arrest investigators seized seven counterfeit one hundred US dollar notes from Porter. Investigators transferred the counterfeited notes to the United States Secret Service, which will conduct a followon investigation.



Carlin Porter
Wanted for:
Homicide

Capital Area Regional Fugitive Task Force (CARFTF)

On September 20, 2006 Rosendo Carranza was arrested in Clinton, MD by members of CARFTF. Authorities in Prince William County (VA) wanted Carranza for Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor, while officials in Texas also sought him for Sexual Assault of a Minor. In both cases, Carranza befriended families and later allegedly began illegal relationships with minor female members of those families. In January 2006 Carranza also allegedly took the Prince William County victim from her home to a series of boarding houses throughout Maryland. The victim's family did not have contact with her after that point. Prince William County PD contacted CARFTF and requested assistance in apprehending Carranza, and safely recovering the victim. CARFTF investigators developed information on Carranza's location in Clinton, responded to that site, and took him into custody. Incident to arrest, investigators recovered the victim, later reuniting her with family. Carranza remains in custody in Prince George's County (MD) pending extradition to Virginia and Texas.



Rosendo Carranza Wanted for: Sexual Assault of a Minor

Southeast Regional Fugitive Task Force (SERFTF)

On September 27, 2006 Angelo Starks was arrested in Atlanta, GA by members of SERFTF and officers from the Atlanta PD (APD). APD wanted Starks for Sexual Battery, Battery, Aggravated Stalking, Cruelty to Children, and Interfering with Calls for Emergency Assistance. These charges related to two separate incidents involving the same victim. During the initial incident in September 2005 Starks allegedly raped a fourteen year old girl. Authorities took Starks into custody for that act, but after he made bond and received instructions to have no contact with the victim, he visited her mother in April 2006. At some point during this visit, Starks observed the victim and allegedly began striking her with a belt, and then slammed her head into a doorknob. As the victim attempted to escape, Starks allegedly pushed her through a wall. As emergency units responded to calls for help, Starks fled the scene. SERFTF investigators developed information indicating that Starks took refuge in a residence in downtown Atlanta. Investigators established surveillance at that location, observed Starks exit, and safely took him into custody. Starks has twelve prior arrests for offenses including Sexual Assault and Burglary.



Angelo Starks
Wanted for:
Sexual Battery &
Aggravated Stalking